Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, The foundat on of America's greatness is the strength of its families; and,

WHEREAS, The family is established on the marriage relationship between the father and mother; and,

WHEREAS, There is an urgent need to reverse the present trend of separation and divorce that is sweeping the country; and,

WHEREAS, Marriage should be viewed as a life-long commitment between husband and wife, filled with mutual respect and open communications; and,

WHEREAS, It is our hope that the institution of marriage once again be recognized as the basis of American society:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 14, 1982, as

WE BELIEVE IN MARRIAGE DAY

in South Dakota, and call upon all citizens throughout South Dakota to support efforts to promote the permanence and stability of marriage.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of January, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Two

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE